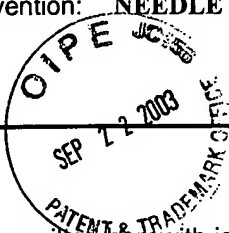




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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 29, 2003. Applicant elects Species A, depicted in Figs. 1-7 of the application.

It is believed that the following claims read on Species A: 1-24. Certain claims are believed by the Applicant's Attorney to be generic but further comment will be reserved until allowance.

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